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An electronic voting system, including: a voting device to generate, in response to a voter selection for each of a plurality of voters an encrypted electronic ballot and a printed ballot, both having voter selection data indicating a said voter's choice, said electronic ballot including information to link it to said printed ballot and vice-versa; an electronic vote decryption system configured to decrypt said encrypted electronic ballots including said linking information; and a voting verification system to receive decrypted voter selection data and linking information from said vote decryption system, to receive voter selection data and linking information from said printed ballots and to compare voters' choices for a sample of said printed and electronic ballots linked by said linking information, to verify the voting.